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Charlie believes that everyone wants to congratulate him on winning the Baldwin Award in person!

Charles J. Quagliata Awarded 1993 Baldwin Award

The BCC Alumni Association honored Charles J. Quagliata with the Richard E. Baldwin Distinguished Service Award at the Association's Dinner Dance in March.

The Award was established in 1987 to acknowledge individuals who have served BCC with dedication, enthusiasm, and distinction.

Charles Quagliata, known as "Charlie" to his many friends on-campus and throughout the community, exemplifies dedication, enthusiasm, and distinctive service to BCC.

For over 24 years, Charlie has dedicated his professional energy to the College. He has touched every aspect of campus life, from the classroom to the boardroom. As an English teacher, he inspired students. Many are still in contact with him. And as Dean of Community Education, he forged a reputation for one of the finest programs in the nation. In 1989 Charlie was appointed Vice-President for Institutional Advancement. He has since reorganized and energized the College's marketing, special events program, and advertising campaigns.

In supporting the nomination of Charlie for the award, BCC President Donald Dellow stated, "In any capacity and in every way Charlie is looking for ways of sharing the important role that BCC plays in our community. He does this tirelessly."

In a letter to Quagliata, Alumni Awards Chairperson Marcia Steinbrecher wrote, "your many years of service to BCC, as detailed extensively in the glowing letters of support we received, clearly made this a fitting tribute to someone who has most assuredly served Broome Community College with dedication and enthusiasm."

Congratulations Charlie, and thank you for your many years of support to BCC and to the Alumni Association!

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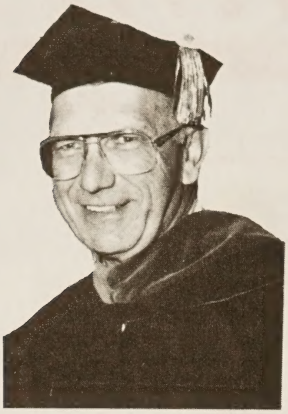

"1993 Commencement: Words from the President"

"Community", our middle name, truly embraces everybody. All ages, nationalities, and backgrounds.

Jessica, a nineteen year-old, graduates tonight. Nearby is Beverly, a 62-year old graduate. Suellen earned a GED, enrolled at BCC while raising two children on her own, and graduates tonight. Xiao Wu's family is here from China to see their son graduate. Alan receives his Accounting degree...next to him is his wife Cindy receiving hers. And their daughter Gail, rounding out a family of three Accounting degrees.

There are hundreds of you out there tonight - from Johnson City, Owego, Canada, and from Pakistan. You are in your twenties or in your fifties. You came here directly from four very successful years of high school or you persisted through preparatory and remedial courses to be ready for college. You are the beautifully diverse family of Broome Community College.

Each of you, and your classmates, tonight join the worldwide community of over 25,000 alumni.

Wherever you go, please remember us - remember where it all began and always retain the pride that you feel tonight.

Donald A. Dellow, EdD.
President

Interested in Helping Your Alumni Association?

If you are willing to get involved, your Alumni Association can most likely use your talents. Please let us know how you would like to help us by completing and mailing this form to: Debra Morello, Director of Alumni Affairs, BCC, P.O. Box 1017, Binghamton, NY 13902

(Check the appropriate box below.)

- ☐ Serving on a Board Committee or on the Board of Directors (Minimum Board two-year appointment beginning Sept., 1994)
- ☐ Serving as a regional representative, i.e., helping organize regional meetings, reunions, programs.
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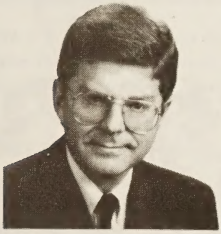
DID YOU MEET YOUR "TRUE LOVE" AT BCC??? SEND US YOUR STORY!

VISIONS REALIZED — Through Your Support 1993/94 Annual Fund Campaign

The BCC Foundation's 28th Annual Fund is dedicated to raising funds that will continue to provide need and merit based scholarships, faculty development and special purpose funds for BCC.

Three dynamic people will lead this year's Annual Fund with over 100 volunteers members of the BCC Foundation helping to raise an overall Annual Fund Goal of $316,000.



Gerhard D. Meese, President of Universal Instruments Corporation, is chairing the Corporate Campaign. With his increasing company leadership over the last 22 years, Mr. Meese indicates that his appreciation for the relationship between education and business prompts his interest in seeking the support of the corporate community for BCC.

Erwin (Skip) W. Hausamann, owner of Hausamann Studios and a retired IBM engineer, is chairing the Community Friend Campaign. Skip, a long-time member of the BCC Foundation is in his second term as a member of the BCC Foundation's Board of Directors. He says he is very impressed with BCC.

Claire Ligeikis-Clayton '76, Chair of BCC's Nursing Department will lead the Faculty/Staff Campaign for a second year. Last year's 29% increase in Faculty/Staff support along with her first-hand awareness of the way gifts help BCC's students and faculty/staff is why Claire has been a Foundation donor and supporter for many years.

Debra Morello, Director of Alumni Affairs, coordinates the Alumni and Student Families Annual Fund Campaign. Beginning in early October, more than 20,000 BCC Alumni will be called for their support.

The overall Annual Fund Campaign is coordinated by Mary Dean, Executive Director of the Foundation. Roger Hartman, Director of Planned Giving, will direct the Leadership Giving portion of the Annual Fund.

How to Order a Transcript

If you wish to order a transcript of your grades, please note the following:

- The College cannot honor a telephone request for a transcript (per Federal Law)
- Your request must be in writing and contain your signature.
- During peak periods, the turnaround time may be up to one week. Otherwise it is 48 hours.
- Peak periods are at the beginning and end of semesters (December-January, May-June, August-September)
- We make every attempt to honor your deadlines, if they are clearly stated in your request.
- We do not fax transcripts.

Information needed in your request for a transcript:

- Your full name (including maiden/married names)
- Your current address and phone number (in case we need to contact you).
- Your social security number.
- Your birth date.
- Your dates of attendance.
- Types of degree(s) awarded (AAS, AA, AS).
- A complete mailing address for your transcripts destination.
- Your signature.
- A check for $5.00, made payable to Broome Community College for each transcript you are requesting.

Address Your transcript request to:

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Broome Community College
P.O. Box 1017
Binghamton, NY 13902

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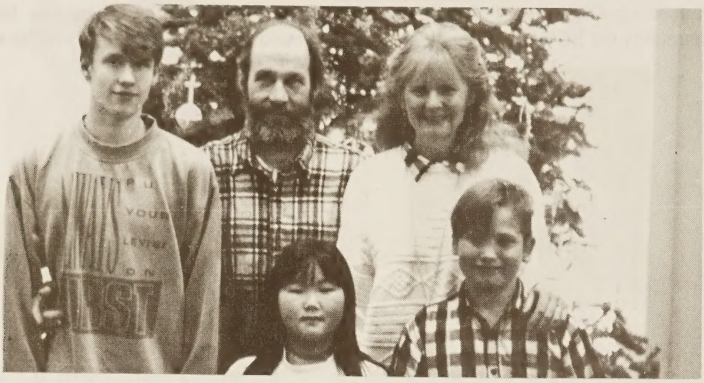
The quickest way to get a transcript is to Federal Express your request, enclosing a pre-paid return Federal Express mailer.

Alumni Success Stories...



There are so many stories to tell about BCC alumni who have achieved great things in their personal and professional lives. One such story is that of **MICHAEL WHEAT, EH '69**.

In a recent correspondence, Mike told us the following: "I graduated in 1969 with BCC's first Environmental Health class. At that time, it was the only two-year degree in that curriculum offered in the entire United States. The motto for our class was "Clean Air Smells Funny!"

I moved to Fairbanks, Alaska in 1970 after working nearly a year at Binghamton's sewage plant. (It didn't "smell bad" then!) I continued my education at the University of Alaska and graduated in 1973 with a B.S. degree in Microbiology. In 1975, I married Roberta Hage, who I met at a dance at the University of Alaska. We have three children; David, 17; Scott, 9; and Sarah, 7.

In July of 1976, I was hired to start up a new sewage plant for the city of Fairbanks, and I've been here ever since. At this job, we strip pure oxygen out of the air and use numerous types of bacteria to clean and purify the six million gallons of wastewater generated from Fairbanks and its 40,000 people. With temperatures of over 90 degrees in the summer with 24 hours of daylight to minus 50 degrees and one hour of daylight in winter, we clean the effluent to less than half off the EPAs limit of our discharge to the receiving river. Its a challenge to keep the water flowing at minus 50 degrees! I use my Environmental Health degree every day at work and would not have this job of $50,000 a year without the years I spent at Broome. Thank you again and forever!"

MARJORIE MCMURRAY is a dynamo. In the thirty-something years since she graduated from BCC (then known as "State Tech") she furthered her education to a Master's level, raised a family of four, worked in the field of mental health, and served her community greatly through numerous volunteer and professional activities.

Marjorie graduated from "State Tech" in 1958. After working for Ansco and WNBF-TV, she enlisted in the Women's Air Force (WAF) where she served as a dental hygienist. It was there that she met her husband. After marriage, they moved to College Park, Maryland where Marjorie's husband entered the pre-Med program at the University of Maryland and Marjorie worked as Secretary to the Dean of the College of Education while continuing her education. They later moved closer to Baltimore where Marjorie worked as Secretary to the Project Manager of the Westinghouse Electronic Tube Division.

Marjorie received her Bachelo'rs and Master's degrees from the University of Maryland. After taking a few years off to raise the children and to work toward fulfilling her educational goals, Marjorie became employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center at Perry Point, Maryland.

She established the Medical Center's detoxification program in 1977 and was involved in the design and implementation of the Center's Alcohol Rehabilitation Program. After over twenty years in the field of social work, she was awarded the "Clinical Social Worker of the Year" award by the Medical Center in recognition of her accomplishments in the area of Alcohol Rehabilitation.This cash award entailed attendance at a major workshop. In addition to furthering her credentials to include ACSW, LCSW, CAC, CCDC, and NCAC II; she has served as President of Maryland's Haven House and Treasurer of Certified Addiction Counselors.

Marjorie, who is divorced, has three sons and a daughter, and eight grandchildren.

BCC Women Grads— Send us your "Success Story" for our special winter issue!

PHOTO: (Left to right) George Haggarty, President, US Squash Association; Harvey Schiller, Executive Director, US Olympic Committee; Tom Jones, Publisher, "Squash News"; BCC Alumnus Bob Kingsley.

ROBERT KINGSLEY has led an interesting life! A graduate of the **Business (BT'80) and Paralegal (PL'83)** programs of Broome Community College, and of Binghamton University Bob has travelled in recent years to Cuba, South America, Mexico, Australia, Thailand, Europe, and India.

While serving as Associate Director for the International Squash Association, Bob represented the organization throughout the world. His experiences were many and varied and included everything from being the victim of extortion in Argentina to rubbing elbows with the American Olympic Committee.

Bob's most recent move has been back to the Triple Cities where he is currently working as Director of Financial Development for the Broome County Chapter of the American Red Cross. He came back to the area, "not to seek a position, but to seek a problem to be solved." An entrepreneur, Bob has always looked forward to a challenge, whether it be on a squash court or in a board room. Working for the Red Cross provides him an opportunity to raise the awareness of the vital work of the Red Cross in our community, while pursuing his entrepreneurial activities. In 1983, Bob established King Appraisal Service, a successful business which he sold in 1987. He now is the President of King Enterprises, a company which seeks out opportunities for businesses to contract products and services to the federal government.

When asked about his philosophy Bob enthusiastically believes in "rugged individualism". This has come from common sense and observations. "I feel that government can't be too small and that people can't do too much for themselves".

Inspired by his years at BCC where he served as Chief Justice of the Judicial Review Board and a student representative at a key college conference, Bob speaks highly of BCC Professor Ken Sanford, an associate professor teaching behavioral management. "I learned more from Ken than from any other teacher in my entire college experience. He took his job as seriously as if he was teaching at Harvard and held us to the highest possible standards."

We welcome Bob back to Binghamton and look forward to his continued involvement as an alumnus of BCC!

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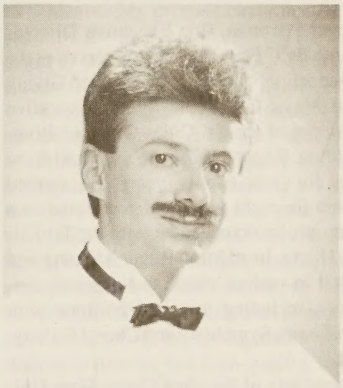
Call 778-5036 for a flyer

ANTHONY "TONY" VILLECCO (LA92), is actively pursuing a career in the arts. Tony, who was active in the music department at BCC, sang at Dr. Dellow's installation in 1989. He has fond memories of studying with Dr. Kinney, Jerry Grahame and Dale Morehouse. He has recently been promoted to office coordinator for Binghamton University's Anderson Center. A local performer who has sung with the Tri-Cities opera, SRO, and



Cider Mill Playhouse, Tony is now studying with Soprano Mary Burgess and says "I am honored to study with such a phenomenal teacher as well as performer." Tony has performed at Binghamton University in "Man of La Mancha" and "A Little Night Music." Tony recently performed, in recital, works by Handel, Bellini, Mozart, and Sondheim. Locally, he has performed with many organizations in both choral and solo capacitites. He feels particularly honored to have been selected twice to perform the tenor solos in Handel's "The Messiah" under former Binghamton resident and American composer Dan Locklair. Tony feels lucky to be able to be a versatile performer. He embraces the greatness of Mozart or Handel with the same appreciation of Cole Porter or Kander and Ebb. He says, "I find myself fortunate to be able to do a classical voice recital or a musical play and find some of the greatest pleasurers in singing for the Senior citizens or as a church soloist." [Mark your calendar for Tony's recital planned for April 10, 1994 for the Tioga County Council for the Arts; it's sure to be an exciting event! Call 687-0785 for more information.]

BCC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES — The "Roger Hartman Scholarship for the Fine Arts

The BCC Alumni Association was proud this year to honor Roger L. Hartman with the Roger L. Hartman Scholarship for The Fine Arts. This award will be given on an annual basis to a graduating senior who is transferring to a four-year college to study art, music, or theater.

Roger Hartman, first Executive Director of the BCC Foundation, now serves as the Foundation's Director for Planned Giving and Major Gifts. The former Executive Director of the Tri-Cities Opera of Binghamton, Roger has been involved with the arts for over twenty years. He studied opera for eight years and performed as a semi-professional singer with the Tri-Cities Opera. In addition Roger has sung and acted in various music theaters and choruses, including principal baritone with the Elmira Symphony and Choral Society.

A graduate of Bowling Green State University with a B.S. in Liberal Arts and of Elmira College with an M.S. in English Education, Roger taught English for many years prior to coming to BCC.

The BCC Alumni Association has established this annual scholarship as a special way to acknowledge Roger's support to the Alumni Association in the early years of his service to the College. In addition to helping the College gain recognition this year to the number six ranking in development of all two-year public college in the nation, Roger has provided encouragement and support to the Association.

The Roger L. Hartman Scholarship, which is currently being awarded annually, will be established as an endowment in years to come. If you are interested in contributing toward endowing the Award, please contact the BCC Foundation at 778-5182.

Call our Alumni Office for details on our Car Rental/Hotel Discount Program!

L to R Front: Roger Hartman; Rear: Dr. Donald Dellow, Mrs. and Mr. Hartman.

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Talent Abounds at BCC — *Portrait of a Professor*

Gerald Grahame

"The high school chorus teacher kept modulating 'My country tis of thee' higher and higher", remembers Gerald Grahame, "..and each time, to his amazement, I could sing it!" Thus began the musical career of lyric tenor and BCC professor Gerald Grahame.

Mr. Grahame, a recent nominee for BCC Alumni Association's Baldwin Award, is one of those treasures among BCC's faculty who brought with him a wealth of talent and experience when he came to the college in 1987.

A graduate of SUNY Fredonia, Grahame came to Binghamton in the late 70's to study with Carmen Savoca and Peyton Hibbitt at Tri-Cities Opera. He chose Binghamton because he desired to learn the things that one can learn only on stage through the direction of teachers like Carmen and Peyton. "They teach you and put you out on the stage so that you are not just singing. Instead you are learning how to move, to take direction, and to learn all aspects of the craft." While studying at the Tri-Cities Opera, Gerald Grahame was able to obtain his Master's Degree through the Master of Music Program at Binghamton University by meeting the requirements for a thesis through his performances. This included singing the lead tenor role in "Elixir of Love" by Donizetti.

Since 1975, Grahame has performed over twenty lead roles with Tri-Cities Opera. When asked his favorite part, Grahame was torn between the role of Rudolfo in "La Boheme" and Eduardo in "Lucia di Lammermoor". After some thought, he exclaimed, "The Lucia role! The death scene in the last act lasts for about ten minutes. As you drop to your knees, dagger in hand, there is this marvelous dying scene!"

Gerry brings to BCC his talent from years spent singing with the New York City Opera as well as with Tri-Cities Opera. He says, "With opera, you can't just finish college music courses and earn the money right away that you need to live on. Instead, it takes years to refine your talents through training and vocal development."

The need to earn a living sent Gerald Grahame to BCC's campus...as a student in accounting. Then he was called upon by Music Department Chairman Michael Kinney, to teach a one-credit course. So, Professor Grahame changed "hats" one day a week from student to professor at BCC. As the department developed, Grahame was involved in expanding the introductory courses in music, voice and ear training, to include advanced courses in these subjects. Following the retirement of Bruce MacGregor, Grahame became the Choir Director and Vocal Music Instructor.

He developed a day choir and evening choir that perform concerts together. The choir's showcase is an annual performance of Handel's Messiah". Established and led by Mr. MacGregor for seven years, Grahame has led the concert since 1987. "Messiah" is performed by the BCC choir and invited community singers, with help from members of the Binghamton Symphony and professional soloists. Mr. Grahame delights in the fact that through this event, "...students are able to use their knowledge of voice, theory, and performing by being in the middle of a choral event with a big sound. It's a moving experience."

Mr. Grahame's love for his craft can be vividly felt in his classroom. He says about his classes, "The students here at BCC are what make it all work. It's never boring when every year there is an influx of students. My greatest enjoyment is to see how the students marvel when they begin to learn what you know. I tell my students, 'You're in for a real treat!'"

Grahame has two major goals. First and foremost, he desires to get students to a "skilled" level, so that they are not just taking classes but instead learning skills to last them a lifetime. Another goal is to work with his peers in BCC's Music Department to develop a comprehensive two-year program with full enrollment. The end product of such a program, Grahame concludes, would be the capability for a student to transfer to a high-quality, four-year college or begin a career with a high level of competency.

BCC Biology Professor David Walsh says of Grahame, "Gerry is a quality teacher who uses his subject matter as magic dust to launch individuals on a lifelong quest for their own potential. Day after day, this man of music sprinkles his dust and spins his magic in the basement of the BCC Alms House."

Mr. Grahame lives in Endicott with his wife Susan, an elementary teacher and sons Darren, 10, and Kyle, 8. After hours, he can be found performing in dinner theaters, singing with the Rochester Oratorio Society or singing opera "anywhere within driving distance!"

Career Connections —

Alumni Talking to Students

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John Snyder of ABC News recently came to BCC to prepare for a special feature on former BCC Coach Richard E. Baldwin for "ABC World News Tonight." L to R: Gary Finch, Dan Minch, John Snyder, and Jim Caverly

BCC Alumni Association's Board of Directors complete a fulfilling year of activity!

(L to R)	Row 1:	Linda Mapes, Gary Finch (President), Carol Foody, Mary Jayne Westbrook
	Row 2:	James Abbott, Andrea Fynboe (Secretary), Joseph Germick
	Row 3:	Kay Collins (Alumni Staff), Nancy Bettencourt, Marcia Steinbrecher, Roy Fynboe, Robert Watts
	Row 4:	Debra Morello (Alumni Director), Gilbert Senger, Patricia Seketa, Steven Amell
Not pictured:		Mary Ligouri (Treasurer)

PROFESSOR ALAN DIXON
...Admired by Students, Faculty, and Alumni

From the time Alan Dixon was a young Boy Scout and later an Eagle Scout, he often recited the following words...."to help other people at all times" as part of the Scout Creed. His life emulates the Creed as he serves Broome Community College as Chair of BCC's Electrical Engineering Technology Program.

We asked Alan what was his most significant memory during his 25-year tenure at BCC. "There is no one single memory that stands out" he says, "each year is as exciting as the last. Each new year provides additional growth for the students and for me." Alan then related that upon completing his Master's Degree from Clarkson in 1972, computer training wasn't taught on nearly the same scale that it is today. Through his work at Broome Community College, it has been exciting and challenging for him to grow personally and perfect his technical skills by expanding the Electrical Engineering Technology Department's knowledge base. Alan's enthusiasm for creating a marriage between art, science and technology can be observed through the numerous works of art which he has selected to inspire students in the Applied Technology Building. Using the theme "Power", a number of etchings, posters and paintings illustrate symbols such as lightning, a great white whale, and electricity. This year seniors were challenged by Professor Dixon to purchase a senior gift emulating the theme. A clever fantasy illustration denoting "Knowledge is Power" in Latin selected by the students carries the gift plate "The College of Magical Knowledge" in honor of the education derived at BCC!

As we toured the AT building, Alan spoke about activities with students which went well beyond the walls of BCC! He discussed tours to industrial sites within the community where college alumni illustrate the latest technological techniques to current students. He spoke of annual conference trips with the student members of the IEEE which inspired a family orientation and camaraderie to last a lifetime. And he spoke of his last words to students each year. Alan shared that at his final session with seniors, he relates to them the closeness and friendship that they shared together during their BCC experience. He then says, "When you are out in the workforce and become the leaders in your field, remember me because I want to send more of 'the best people in the world' to you." It is through this reinforcement of confidence to new graduates and solidification of the relationship between Alan and his students that many, many BCC alumni are provided career opportunities in our region and throughout the United States. In addition to his devotion to students from the moment they enter BCC as freshman, to graduation, and throughout their careers, Chairman Dixon has used his role as Department chair to provide optimal mentoring opportunities for the faculty and procure cutting edge technology through grants. The most recent acquisition has been eight computers for high imaging "machine vision" through a $32,000 VATEA (Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act) grant.

In addition to providing professional growth to his department, Alan takes time to help students in need. "The changing demographics of today's students, while offering new opportunities, imply new challenges", relates Professor Dixon. He has been known to help students deal with personal, marriage, and financial issues and has often drawn upon his network of contacts to facilitate opportunities for students and alumni.

Alan's interests include travel and, as this is being written, he is making plans to embark on a seven city tour of China. We at BCC are looking forward to his return so we may enjoy the art which he is sure to bring back for the Applied Technology Building!

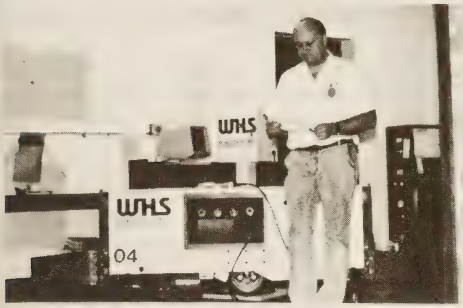
Alan was one of three Chancellor Award Winners for 1993

Calling On You!

On October 4, 1993 the Alumni Phonathon will begin. Please be ready to offer your support to Broome Community College when a representative calls.

THANK YOU!

BCC ALUMNUS WALTER LUKE named "Inventor of the Year"



BCC Alumnus Walter Luke approaches life with energy and vitality. His enthusiasm for science led to an honor as "1993 Inventor of The Year" by the Central New York Patent Law Association.

"Luke", as he his known to many, experienced his first interest in science when in the second grade he observed an older student make an electromagnet using a dry cell battery. Intrigued with the sciences of Chemistry and Electronics, he established his first electronics business at the age of twelve, WWTV Television Repair.

As a young man he enjoyed science fiction and was inspired by the 50s' movie "Forbidden Planet". In this film, Luke relates, "everything was done by thought". The movie, which illustrated flying saucers and a "Robbie the Robot" concept, started Luke thinking about how exciting it could be to "operate things from a distance".

Throughout his life, Luke has followed his dream. It is a simple dream. He says, "All I ever wanted to do was get enough education to get a real life job which would keep me awake, provide variety, and enclose alot of disciplines within one field." Additionally, he desired to provide a home and family business for his wife, high-school sweetheart Kathy; and two sons; Walter, 16 and Joseph, 13.

Luke graduated from BCC with an A.A.S. Degree in Electrical Engineering Technology in 1976. Upon graduation from BCC he was awarded the Alumni Association's Scholarship for Outstanding Male Transfer Student. He went on to receive a B.T.E.T. from Binghamton University in 1977 and upon completion of a final course he will receive an M.S.E.E. from Syracuse University. From 1981 through 1985, he served as an Associate Professor in Electrical Engineering Technology at BCC and was nominated for the Chancellor's Award.

For nearly two decades, Luke has been working with Analog and Digital Electronics, Robotics, Materials Handling, Real Time Software, Distributed Processing and Instrumentation, and Aerospace Engineering.

In 1980 he established Knight Development, an independent consulting firm, for the purpose of providing engineering consultation to corporations.

The product for which Luke has been awarded the honor "Inventor of The Year" is a comprehensive Automatic Guided Vehicle (AGV) System.

AGVs, "Model robots", are used for material handling and perform easily modified tasks. They move throughout a warehouse picking up and distributing materials and supplies.

Luke's system consists of an AGV that is wire-guided, bi-directional, battery-powered, load-handling, industrial-grade, and driverless. It steers itself over programmed routes, picking up, transporting, and delivering loads of up to 4,000 pounds, on palettes or in modular containers. The system is ideally suited for operations where repetitive movement is required between various locations.

Typical applications for AGVs are as follows:

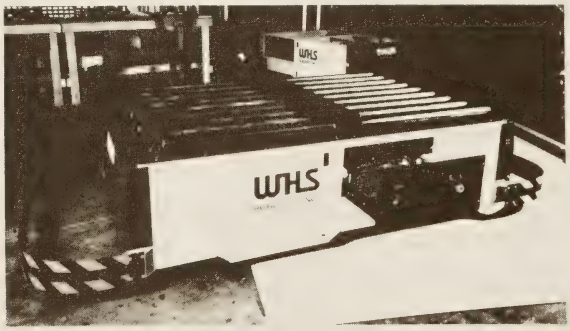
- the internal delivery system for the US Postal Service
- hostile environments (kilns, freezers, nuclear power plants)
- dangerous loads (toxic chemicals, radioactive materials)
- human transportation (gate to gate in airports, etc)
- self-guided vehicle installation at job site
- roll products (carpet and textiles, paper, film)

The primary application for the AGVS system designed and produced by Luke is a system set up for the US Department of Defense in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania. At this location, 35 vehicles are maintained by a staff of three people. Doing the job of 35 life operators, they "communicate" with the AGV through an IBM compatible personal computer.

Luke is the inventor of the vehicle, traffic control system, and architect of all control software. He is proud that his product is "Made in the USA". His sole proprietorship typically employs between 14-16 people, many of them BCC graduates. Throughout the years he has had access to BCC students through teaching and through their interest in Robotics.

Luke proudly acknowledges the influence of the BCC faculty on his accomplishments. Two of the professors who affected his growth were Robert B. Beers and Charles Dahill. He says that, "Mr. Dahill taught control system theory well and alot of it is used in Robotics." Additionally, he states, "Mr. Beers knew everything about electronics. If you had a question and asked him he would go beyond your request and teach you alot more."

Walter Luke, Congratulations on your outstanding accomplishment as "Inventor of the year." We are proud to have you among the ranks of our alumni and look forward to hearing more about your future inventions! Who knows, someday we may find our students procuring their library books and going from class to class via AGV!



Alumni on the Move

—by Marjorie Miller

1950's

Rita Duffy Sheehan (TO50) is living in North Muskegon, Michigan, where she says "I have a great job as a writing aide for the North Muskegon High School." Rita was widowed in 1990 after 36 years of marriage, and has seven children and eight grandchildren. She now travels extensively and says "would love to hear from college friends."

Richard P. Vanek (CT50) retired as manager of General Atomics's Fuel Fabrication Department and Nuclear Waste Facility in November 1992. Richard works part-time as a civilian volunteer in the San Diego County Sheriff's Department in the crime lab.

Melvin F. Beam (MT71,ET58) retired this summer from IBM after 28 years service as senior design specialist in processor development. Melvin is presently employed at B.C. Transit as a coach operator.

1960's

James Hallenbeck (BU61) is owner and president of Casualty Agency of Greene, Inc. Jim is also owner and president of HK Sales Company, a boat dealership located in Greene, NY.

Robert Y. Sokolinsky (BT62) recently received his Master of Science in Education degree from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia. Bob, retired with 22 years of U.S. Naval service, has held the position of women's varsity soccer coach at Virginia Wesleyan College since 1987. He and his wife, Shirley (Lake) from Port Dickinson, reside in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Bob continues his volunteer work, currently as a Board of Director for the Virginia Youth Soccer Association, and as a coaching instructor and Olympic Development Program (ODP) coach for Virginia. Son Mark, a graduate of Davis and Elkins College, resides in West Virginia.

Daughter Denise Martin, a graduate of Virginia Wesleyan College, resides with her family in Georgia.

Michael D. Lesick (AAS66) was recently appointed as the superintendent of the Fonda-Fultonville Central School District, located in Fonda, NY. His son, Michael, Jr., graduated from Duke University with a degree in economics and sociology and his daughter, Rachel, attends the University of New Hampshire. Michael, Sr. was formerly superintendent of schools for Florida Union Free School District.

Lawrence J. Mazar (LA66) and his daughter, Andi, are the owners of Stella Ireland Gardens. His wife, Carol, helps with the greenhouses. Larry has been in business since April 1991.

Michael Lukasik (MT67) recently was promoted at the Babcock & Wilcox Alliance Research Center as manager of contracts-proposals for the Contract Research Division at both Alliance and Lynchburg, VA. He was formerly manager, fossil contracts-proposals at Alliance. He joined the B.W. Barberton office in 1970 as a stress engineer in the nuclear equipment division and moved to the Alliance division in 1975 as a contract manager. He holds both bachelor of science and master of science degrees from the University of Akron, and is a registered professional engineer in the State of Ohio. He has taught as a part-time instructor in The University of Akron's Community and Technical College. Mike and his wife Carol

Macko Lukasik, both of Johnson City, NY, are living in Carrollton, Ohio. Carol has a B.S. degree and M.S. degree in education from Kent State and Mount Union College and teaches fifth grade. Their daughter, Chris, just graduated cum laude with a degree in business from Kent State.

William E. Seymour (BT67) is superintendent of Bethel-Dahlen Construction Company. Bill manages the construction of buildings. "Bill" says hi to Oz Winters and "I still support soccer in this country and am still in good shape!"

Joel A. Mark (BT68) is a school business official with Cincinnatus Central School. Joel married Jo Darling, October 1987 and together they have six children: Emmet Mark (21), Clifford Mark (19), Jason Mark (17), Karen Mark (13), Jason Robinson (21), and Jodi Robinson (19).

1970's

William C. Prentice (ET70) is a senior energy engineer with NYSEG. Bill was elected fire chief this year with the Apalachin Volunteer Department. Bill married Diane Geer, who graduated from the Binghamton General School of Nursing.

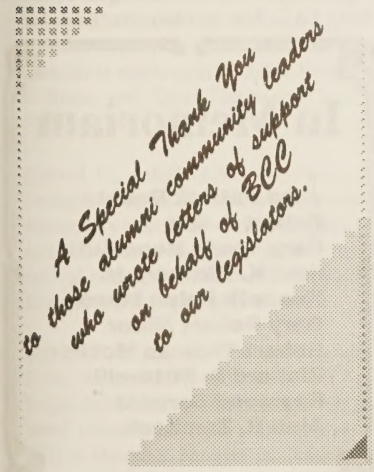
David F. Stout (EH72) is living in Mansfield, Texas, where he is a mortgage banker for Norwest. Dave teases, "Dallas Cowboys beat Buffalo Bills!!!"

Sharon Rocke Exley (LA74) is office manager for the Broome County Republican Committee. She is married to James Exley (LA74), and has two children, Kelly, 12 years old, and David, 6 years old. Sharon was recently appointed chairwoman of the Town of Dickinson Conservation Advisory Council and also appointed to the Town of Dickinson Public Safety Committee.

Rita Havel Foran (LA74) is a fitness instructor for Broome County YMCA. She is married to Martin Foran, a carpenter, and is mother of a son, Jeffrey, 8 years and a daughter, Mallory, born February 1993.

Stephen Holowinski (CH75) is a veterinarian for the Oakdale Animal Hospital. Stephen is also secretary/treasurer of the Broome County Veterinary Medical Society and member/secretary for the Johnson City Zoning Board.

William M. Verdon (BT76) is a retail sales manager for a fruit broker. Bill is living in Denver, CO where there is "excellent skiing."



Michael M. Byrne (LT77) is a customer service technical specialist for Eastman Kodak Clinical Diagnostics in Rochester, NY. Mike says "by using my educational experiences, I am able to assist other mechanical technicians and doctors using Ehtadiem Lab Equipment." Mike is close to obtaining his B.S. degree in marketing at RIT.

Patti Ryan Meaker (LA77) is a Systems Analyst II in customer systems development for Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation. Patti and her husband, Sheridan, are the proud parents of Christopher Sheridan Meaker, who was born on April 2, 1993, 8 lb. at 7:06 pm. They are living in Baldwinsville, NY.

Christine M. Boras (LA78) is working as a senior corporate internal auditor for Universal Studios Florida. She received her BS in criminal justice in 1981 from Northeastern University, Boston, MA and moved to Orlando, Florida where she had a custom home built in 1991. Christine is "still single and looking for Mr. Right!!!!" She has a golden retriever puppy, one year old, whose name is Goldie!

Helen Hines Farrell (LA79) is vice president of public policy for New York Association of Homes and Services for the Aging. She married Edward Farrell, on October 5, 1991 and is living in Albany, NY. Ed is executive director of the New York State Conference of Mayors. Helen graduated from SUC Geneseo in 1981 and is a candidate for a masters in public administration from Russell Sage College in Albany.

John A. Gaetani (AAS79) is a senior accountant for the NYS Department of Transportation. He recently achieved the designation of Certified Internal Auditor (CIA).

WHAT'S NEW?

We would like to include your personal and professional achievements in our next BCC NEWS. News will be published as space permits, usually within two issues of receipt. Send all alumni news to BCC Alumni Affairs Office, PO Box 1017, Binghamton, NY 13902. Thank you!

❑ News for records update only

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John also operates an Income Tax Preparation Service and an College Aid Search Service.

1980's

Paulette Casey Giannicchi (AAS80) is a payroll clerk in the accounting department of William H. Lane, Inc. She is also a member of NAWIC (National Association of Women in Construction). Paulette has two children, Chet, 17 years old, and Jared, who was born on November 29, 1992.

Christopher Harendza (LT81) lives in Upper Darby, PA. where he is a professor of anatomy, physiology and biology at Montgomery County Community College.

Margaret A. Kane (RN81) is a registered nurse with SRT Med-Staff. She is working with autologous bone morrow transplant patients at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. "Peggy" divides her free time between volunteer work for the Smithsonian Greenhouses and the American Red Cross Gay and Lesbian Resource Network.

Dolores V. Newby (BM81) retired in December from Broome Community College after 30 years of service. Since 1982, Dolores has been president/owner of Belden Hill Golf Course, Inc. in Belden, NY.

John E. Sebesta (LA81) is partner and owner of Baker, Sebesta, Inc. in New York City. John praises the program at BCC and feels that he was "well ahead of the game at Parson's School of Design" where he went after graduating from BCC. He says "hello to Anne Cotton", his professor at Broome Community College.

David G. Bronson (AAS82) is owner and real estate broker of Bronson America Realtors. David graduated from SUNY Binghamton, May 1992, with high honors and began his new business the same month.

Andrea Holzer-Woughter (CH83) is a junior chemist in the analytical research and development department of Geneva Pharmaceutical Inc., a generic pharmaceutical subsidiary of Ciba-Geigy. She graduated from the University of Washington, December 1991, with a B.S. in chemistry. Andrea really enjoys Colorado and the Rocky Mountains. She tells people there, "what a great place Broome Community College is!"

Nancy L. Hirt Mayville (CS83) who lives in Canastota, NY, is a computer engineer for Leybold-Inficon. She graduated magna cum laude from Hobart and William and Smith Colleges in 1989. Nancy's daughter, Rebecca is two years old.

Jeffrey J. Shoemaker (CJ83) is working as a chief probation officer for Susquehanna County in PA.

Antoinette Brigano Bucci (AC88,BA86) is currently supervising the adult care facility at Ideal Senior Living Center.

Darren J. Nauerz (LA86) is a producer for Newchannels and mainly makes 30-second commercials for local clients. Darren is involved with the production of a weekly Karaoke show, Farrell Real Estate show, live Mets and Rangers' broadcast, and has provided audio for the BC Chamber of Commerce "United Way".

Joyce (Wilma) Whalen (AS90,BU87) was recently presented the Director of the Year Award for her outstanding achievement as Vice-President of Public Relations for Chapter 827 Parents Without Partners, Inc., an international educational support group for widowed, separated, divorced and never married parents raising their children alone. Joyce is currently employed at Broome Community College as secretary to the Dean of Health Sciences.

Mark A. Rebich (ES87), is a structural/civil designer with Beardsley, Beardsley, Cowden & Glass, an architectural and engineering company that serves a wide range of clients in the Northeast and throughout the United States. Mark has had extensive experience in performing structural calculations, both manually and using engineering software, for the structural design of new buildings and the analysis of existing structures. Recent project experience includes involvement in the structural design and CADD drafting of new building for Port Byron High School, Hillside Children's Center, the new Data Processing Center at Auburn Memorial Hospital, and the BOCES addition to Phelps School. Mark is an active member of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Robert "Bob" Connor (PL88) from Endwell, earned his paralegal degree from BCC in 1988, just a few years before he retired from IBM. He began volunteering at Broome Legal Assistance Corporation (BLAC), a United Way member agency and has since become indispensable. With the increased demand for services at BLAC, Bob has been a great asset in processing new clients. Bob says "It's a real eye-opener. I see a lot of people in need. I like to be able to do something for somebody."

Suzanne M. Derham (MR88) has her B.P.S. from Utica School of Technology and took her national boards. She works as a data quality specialist in health information systems for Albany Medical Center.

Christina "Tina" Hasemann (LA88), continues to be employed through Robert Packer Hospital at the Bradford County Manor Nursing Home in Troy, PA. Tina says "I've worked there for two years now as a clinical dietitian. In December '92, I completed a certificate in gerontology through Marywood College in Scranton, PA." She recently received her

In Memoriam

John Patrick Buchta
Robert J. Gill
Gary Lewis Hennicutt
Paul K. Kintner, Jr.
Kenneth Ralph Mason
Gary Robert Miller
Robert Thomas Mosher
Richard P. Pittarelli
Raymond Sargent
Alan R. Zembeck

master's degree in foods and nutrition from Marywood College. She specialized in geriatric nutrition and also completed a research project titled "Weight Loss in Elderly Alzheimer's Patients in an Institutional Setting." "Tina" plans to continue with her education in the future and she strongly believes that Broome Community College was an excellent base from which to build a successful future.

Nicholas J. Hengeveld (CS88) is a LAN administrator with Calvin College. Nick lives in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Clifford R. Kasson, Jr. (CS88) received a second degree (1989) from BCC in electrical engineering. Cliff, majoring in math at SUNY Cortland, is currently student teaching.

Pamela L. Mackie (LA88) has graduated from Potsdam College and received her master's degree in education, qualifying her to teach mathematics from seventh to twelfth grade. Pamela is currently a substitute teacher for Susquehanna Valley School District.

Jennifer Powell Smith (ES88) recently received her master's degree from Syracuse University. Her major was hydrogeology with a minor in geotechnical engineering. Her master's thesis was entitled "Pore-Size Distribution of Geotexhles." Previously Jennifer received her bachelor's degree in wood products engineering at SUNY Environmental Science and Forestry. Jennifer is working as a civil engineer for O'Brien and Gere Engineers, Inc. in Syracuse, NY.

Darryl C. Adolf (LA89) received his bachelor's degree from SUNY Fredonia in elementary education with an emphasis in science. Darryl is currently a teacher in special education with the Ithaca School District and is living in Ovid, NY.

Kevin P. Brady (RN89) and his wife, Betty Jo, are the proud parents of Amy Leigh, born March, 1992. Kevin is a registered nurse in the heart/lung transplant ICU of Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Rhonda R. Carswell (LA89) is now employed as a fifth grade teacher at Pike Creek Christian School in New Castle, DE.

Patty Elaine Clark (ISAS89) of Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin, is shown in the photo above, receiving "The Greatest Comeback Award" in 1992.

Michelle Clark Graham (OT89) is married to **Scott M. Graham (BU90)**. Michelle is an order clerk for Endicott Machine and Tool. Scott works for Dexter Shoes in retail sales.

Christine Martin Hewes (LA89) and her husband, **Craig S. Hewes (CT89)** have a daughter, Meghan, and also have "one on the way." Christine received a degree from SUNY Cortland in 1991. Craig is a civil technician with Shoemaker Consulting Engineers in Vestal.

Kelly A. Peters Simmons (EC89) is a substitute teacher for grades kindergarten to sixth. To make a challenging job easier, Kelly brings a "grab bag" to school for the students to look forward to and plays educational games with them.

Sheila A. Swartwood (BU89) is an energy sales representative/operation manager for Agway Energy Products. She graduated from Alfred University and was accepted at Hartford University for a master's degree in business administration. Sheila's ambition is to be a Broome Community College trustee someday.

Pamela Eck Troshan (AA89) married Stephen J. Troshan in August, 1990. Pamela is working on her bachelor's degree in the Interpreter Training Program at Bloomsburg University in Pennsylvania.

Laura E. Payne Webster (OT89) and **Eric William Webster (CT87)** were married September 26, 1992 and are living in Conklin. Laura and Eric are both employed at William H. Lane, Inc. Laura is a secretary, and Eric is a project manager.

Timothy J. Welch (ET89) is working as a software engineer for Computer Task Group. Tim received his computer engineering technology degree from SUNY Utica. Tim says "hello to Alan Dixon."

1990's

Brad G. Cooper (BA90) is a product marketing manager for Apple Computer and president of Windsor Entertainment. Brad lives in Cupertino, California.

John D. Ord (ET90) married Justine M. Ord in June of 1992. John is a field engineer for Dictaphone. He received his job interview with Dictaphone through the Broome Community College Placement Office.

Eve L. Woloszyn Scanlan (MH90) and her husband, **Patrick J. Scanlan (ET89)**, are living in Campbell, CA. Patrick graduated from SUNY Binghamton with a B.S. in electrical engineering. Eve received a B.A. in sociology from SUNY Cortland. Next semester, Eve will begin classes for her teaching credentials in elementary education at San Jose State University, CA.

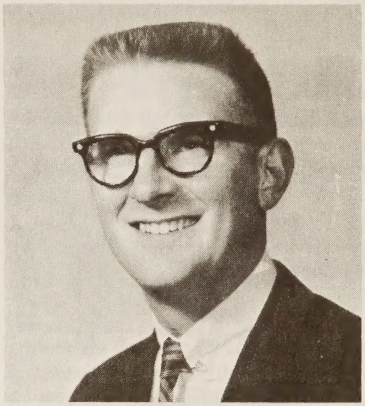
David Alyesworth (BU91) graduated cum laude with a degree in management at Keuka College's 85th Commencement ceremony in May. Keuka College offers academic credit for learning experiences, ensuring that all Keuka graduates can apply theory to real life situations.

Barbara Z. Mullins (RN92) is a registered nurse with J.G. Johnston Nursing Home in Johnson City.

Michael S. Perry (BU92) has transferred to Houghton College at Houghton, NY, after graduating from BCC with GPA of 3.26 and is majoring in business administration. His brother, **Christopher Perry**, transferred from BCC to SUNY-ESF in Syracuse to major in paper science and engineering, where he had a GPA of 3.51 in the fall of '92. Their youngest brother, **Eric P. Perry (LA93)** plans to transfer to Houghton College to major in history/philosophy/pre-law. Michael, Christopher and Eric are the three sons of proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis W. Perry, Jr. of Sidney, NY.

BCC is proud to announce that it has three alumni serving on the board of the Broome County Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation. Newly-elected President **Donald Prutisto (BT75)**, has recruited top-notch board members, **Mario DiFulvio (BC79)**, and **Frederick Xlander (LA76)**, to join him in serving the community.

William E. Smith (BT60), went to NYC to seek his fortune after BCC, sold insurance, was drafted to US Army, and went to work for General Motors in the mid-sixties. In 1967, Bill went to work for NY Telephone in Manhattan where he sold large telephone switching systems. In 1973, missing "country life", he went to work for CONTEL, in Norwich, NY. In 1985, CONTEL reorganized and despite offers to move to Manhattan or outside Washington, DC, Bill decided to start his own telecommunications business. He was recruited to the NYNEX Business Centers as a branch sales manager for upstate NY. Later Bill was assigned as branch sales manager for several areas in new England of the telecommunications division of NYNEX Business Information Systems Company (BISC).



"Bill teases that he hasn't changed a bit!"

Since 1991, he is back to NYTEL as an area operations manager in charge of a central office staff of forty persons, providing dial tone service to Auburn, Geneva, Ithaca, Newark and Cortland. His hobbies are piloting, golfing, woodworking, restoring an house (circa 1820) and designing a new one. Bill has been very active in Republican politics, and served on the board of the Chenango County Chamber of Commerce, is a past president of the Sherburne Rotary Club and of the Upper Chenango Valley Association, and is a charter board member of the Tri-Valley Aviation Association. Bill is "single" and also would love to hear from his classmates.

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